

Appl. No. 09/557,158  
Rule 312 Amendment

**REMARKS**

Claims 3 and 7-20 are active in the case. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicants have amended Claim 18 of the application in view of the amendments made to the claims in the Examiner's Amendment attached to the Notice of Allowance in order to make clear that it is potassium oxide, not potassium metal, that constitutes from 1 to 10 % by weight of the total weight of solid oxide material, as described at page 10, lines 2-4 of the specification. Accordingly, the amendment does not introduce new matter into the case and entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

It is now believed that the application is in proper condition for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

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